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Page 2 [Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 (In Response  
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**PLEASE AMEND THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION AS FOLLOWS:**

**In The Specification:**

Page 1, line 1, insert the following:

**~A CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

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This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/574,443, filed on December 15, 1995, now abandoned. ~

**In The Claims:**

Add new claim 245 as follows:

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~ 245. (NEW) The construct of claim 3, wherein said sequence segment is in double-stranded form. ~

Amend claims 1, 8 and 10 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A [non-naturally occurring] non-native polynucleotide construct comprising at least one sequence segment, which construct when present in a cell produces a product, said construct comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of a modified nucleotide, a nucleotide analog or a non-nucleic acid entity, [or] and a combination of the foregoing.

Claim 8, line 1, after "The construct of claim" and before "wherein said chemical" change "6," to -- 7 -- .

Claim 10, line 1, after "The construct of claim" and before "wherein said non-nucleic entity" change "1," to -- 245, -- .

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